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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SREF, CB, LA, TH, VS

SUBJECT: LAO PAROLE PROGRAM

REF: A. BANGKOK 19025; B. BANGKOK 19418; C. BANGKOK 20383

1. DEPARTMENT REQUIRES URGENTLY ASSESSMENT OF LAO AND MEO ELIGIBLE UNDER CURRENT GUIDELINE AND SEEKING ASYLUM IN UNITED STATES.

2. WE UNCLEAR IF REF C LISTS ALL LAO AND MEO REFUGEES DESIROUS AND ELIGIBLE FOR TRAVEL TO UNITED STATES. IF SO, PROGRAM MUCH MORE HEAVILY WEIGHTED TOWARDS MEO THAN WE HAD ANTICIPATED WITH 311 LAO AND 2300 MEO LISTED AS ELIGIBLE. WE PRESUME REF C IS PARTIALLY ADDITIVE TO PREVIOUSLY REPORTED REFUGEES, PARTICULARLY LAO REPORTED REF A AS ALLOCATED NUMBERS FROM BANGKOK ORIGINAL QUOTA OF 3800. APPARENTLY, HOWEVER, REF C DOES NOT INCLUDE ONLY REFUGEES NOT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED AS REFERENCE IS MADE TO 700 CAT II

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MEO REPORTED REF B.

3. PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING FIGURES ASAP:

A. TOTAL LAO ALL CATEGORIES WHICH EMBASSY BELIEVES ELIGIBLE FOR AND REQUESTING PAROLE, INCLUDING THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY LEFT THAILAND FOR UNITED STATES.

B. BREAKDOWN OF ABOVE BY CATEGORY I, II, AND III WITH NOTATION OF HOW MANY HAVE LEFT FOR UNITED STATES.

C. SIMILAR FIGURES SEPARATELY FOR MEO.

4. IN THESE COMPUTATIONS, DO NOT INCLUDE 200 SPACES RESERVED FOR USG EMPLOYEES STILL IN VIENTIANE UNLESS THESE HAVE TRAVELED TO THAILAND AND BEEN ASSIGNED NUMBERS. IF SO, PLEASE INDICATE. PLEASE DO INCLUDE ALL LAO AND MEO REFUGEES IN THAILAND ELIGIBLE AND SEEKING ASYLUM, WHETHER OR NOT THEY HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED NUMBER UNDER ORIGINAL BANGKOK QUOTA OF 3800. WE ARE PRESENTLY NOT ADDRESSING QUESTION OF SUB-QUOTAS BUT ARE ATTEMPTING DEFINE EXACTLY THE TOTAL NUMBER OF LAO AND MEO PROJECTED TO MOVE UNDER THIS PROGRAM.

5. WE NEED EMBASSY'S BEST ESTIMATE BASED ON DATA CURRENTLY AVAILABLE IN EMBASSY'S FILES. PLEASE PROVIDE BY TELEPHONE TO D/HA/ORM, LOWMAN OR BLUM, WITH CONFIRMATION BY CABLE.
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